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(57) Abstract: Hydrogen sulfide is oxidized to sulfur by means of treatment with an aqueous acid solution containing trivalent iron and a hetero polyacid having formula (I): H_n X V_y $M_{(12-y)}$ O_{40} ; or a sole hetero polyacid having formula (II): H_n Me M_{12} O_{40} ; wherein the symbols X, M Me n and y are specified in the text. At the end of the oxidation, the solution is treated with gas containing oxygen to re-oxidize the reduced metal.